OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

Notification No. 1960 *C. S. dated 25th September* 1929.

The system of awarding prizes annually to Co-operative Societies, which have done good work during the year, graciously instituted by His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore, so as to serve as an incentive for good work in the co-operative field by creating a spirit of emulation and healthy rivalry among the several societies of the State, has now been in vogue since 1919. His Highness was graciously pleased to add three years back two more prizes to the number existing hitherto, thus making the number of prizes 12. These prizes are awarded as follows :—

One for the best Industrial Co-operative Society in the State, one for the best Aricultural Co-operative Society in the State, one for the best Stores Co-operative Society, one for the best Urban Credit Co-operative Society and eight for the best Credit Co-operative Societies, one for each District. The prize for the best Industrial Co-operative Society is in the name of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore and the remaining 11 prizes are in the name of his Highness the Yovaraja of Mysore. The prizes are in the form of Shields and will be awarded under the following Rules :—

1. The prizes will be awarded annually.

2. The names of the winning societies will be announced and the Shields presented at the annual Provincial Co-operative Conferences.

3. A Society winning a Shield will hold it for a period of one year and, should it win it consecutively for three years, the Shield will become the property of the society.

4. The name of every society winning a Shield will be engraved on the Shield.

5. The prize for the best Industrial Society will be open to all Industrial Societies in the State, that for the best Agricultural Society to all Non-Credit Agricultural Co-operative Societies, that for the best Urban Bank to all Co-operative Credit Institutions situated in District Headquarters, and that for the best Co-operative Stores to all the Stores Societies in the State, while those for the best eight societies in the eight districts to all Primary Credit Societies in those districts.

6. The decision of the Registrar will be final as regards the class to which a society belongs.

7. The awards will be based on an examination of societies in respect of the following particulars :—

(i) Extent to which objects of society are realised.

(ii) Membership.

(iii) Capital particularly that portion of it which is attracted by means of deposits.

(iv) Financial stability.

(v) Regularity of meetings and attendance at such meetings.

(vi) Degree of administrative ability shown by Managing Committee.

(vii) Supervision exercised by general body over the Managing Committee.

(viii) Frequency and regularity of transactions with special reference to objects, security, utilisation and repayment of loans and absence of suits.

(ix) Activities of public character such as education, sanitation, village improvement, uplifting of the Backward Classes in which the society has engaged itself.

(x) Accuracy and simplicity of accounts.

(xi) Nature and value of the honorary work done in connection with society.

(xii) Extent to which the condition of the members has been improved.

8. The awards will be made by His Highness the Yuvaraja, if he opens the conference, or by the Dewan Saheb, as the case may be, on the recommendation of the Registrar.

9. All or any of the prizes may be withheld, if, in any year, the condition of the societies of a class or in a district does not come up to the requisite standard of excellence.

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Registrar.